

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2197

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served February 25, 1981

Application of CREATIVE TRAVEL,)
INC., for Special Authorization to)
Perform Charter Operations Pursuant)
to Contract - Temple Hills)
Commuters)

Case No. CP-81-05

By application filed February 23, 1981, Creative Travel, Inc., seeks authority to operate pursuant to WMATC Special Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity No. 1 under a contract with the Temple Hills Organized Commuter Association (THOCA) transporting commuters between Temple Hills, Marlow Heights and Hillcrest Heights, Md., on the one hand, and, on the other, Washington, D. C. THOCA is an organized association of commuters authorized to contract for commuter transportation services between the Temple Hills, Md., vicinity and Washington, D. C. Inasmuch as the application proposes the irregular-route transportation of members of a qualifying association pursuant to contract between the association and applicant, it appears amenable to processing under Commission Regulation No. 70. */

The contract between Creative Travel and THOCA calls for daily service Monday through Friday (except for federal holidays) between points in the Temple Hills, Md., vicinity and points in Washington, D. C., from Temple Hills to Washington, D. C. in the morning and returning in the afternoon. Applicant proposes to make a maximum of two trips each morning and two trips each afternoon as warranted. Service will be rendered in a 40-passenger school bus leased from the Faith Bible Church. Applicant will be directed to furnish a proper certificate of insurance in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 62 evidencing insurance in the amount of \$100,000 for bodily injuries or death of one person, \$500,000 for bodily injuries or death of all persons injured or killed in any one accident, and \$50,000 for loss or damage in any one accident to the property of others. In

*/ See Order No. 2004, adopting Regulation No. 70, served June 20, 1979, and effective July 21, 1979.

addition, Creative Travel will be directed to file two copies of its WMATC Tariff No. 1 consisting of a title page prepared in accordance with Commission Regulation No. 55-04 and a copy of the THOCA contract, and to produce evidence that its leased vehicle has been licensed, inspected and approved for transportation for hire operations by Maryland or the District of Columbia and that the company is qualified to do business as a foreign corporation in Maryland.

The contract price is \$10 per passenger each week and the agreement is for a period of one year. Costs to Creative Travel include approximately \$200 per month for insurance and a charge of \$3.75 per passenger each month as the lease expense. Expenses for fuel, maintenance and salaries will depend on the number of trips and the ridership level attained, with an estimated break-even point of 20 passengers per trip.

Applicant's operating officer states that he is familiar with the Compact and the Commission's rules, regulations and requirements thereunder. The president of THOCA submitted an affidavit stating that the organization is comprised of individuals residing in the Temple Hills vicinity with a common interest in commuting to and from Washington, D. C. She anticipates that the membership will increase to 40 or more members in the future, but does not state the organization's current membership. THOCA has investigated applicant's qualifications and believes Creative Travel is able to provide the proposed service properly. Applicant will be directed to provide a supplemental notarized statement from THOCA indicating the current membership of the organization and explaining what efforts are being made to increase the group's size.

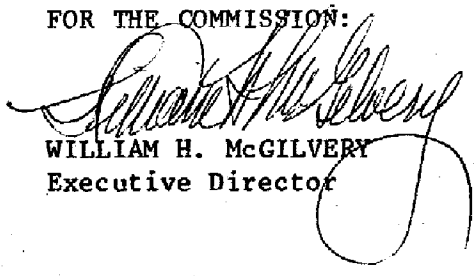
Pursuant to Commission Regulation No. 70-06, notice of this application must be published and opportunity given for the filing of protests. Protests, if any, must be written, sworn and notarized, and must contain all evidence and argument upon which the protestant would rely.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

1. Creative Travel, Inc., publish once, in a newspaper of general circulation in the Metropolitan District, notice of this application in the form prescribed by the staff of the Commission no later than Monday, March 2, 1981.
2. That applicant shall file an affidavit of such publication with the supplemental material described above with the Commission no later than Thursday, March 12, 1981.

3. That any person desiring to protest this application shall file a notarized protest in conformance with Commission Regulation No. 70-06 at the office of the Commission, Suite 316, 1625 I Street, N. W., Washington, D. C. 20006, no later than Thursday, March 12, 1981, and shall simultaneously serve a copy of such protest on Reginald Audrick, 2102 Addison Road, District Heights, Md. 20028.

FOR THE COMMISSION:



WILLIAM H. MCGILVERY
Executive Director

